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# AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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EMS-06101

Application Number  
10/666,773

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Examiner  
Tammara R. Peyton

Group Art Unit  
2182

Invention Title

**MESSAGE-BASED GLOBAL DISTRIBUTED LOCKS WITH AUTOMATIC EXPIRATION**

## TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application, including:

- (X) Amendment and Response to Office Action;
- (X) Amendment Transmittal (1 page in duplicate); and
- (X) Return Postcard

## CLAIMS AS AMENDED

| (1)  |   | (2)   |   | (3)                        |         |      |
|--|---|-------|---|----------------------------|---------|------|
|  | CLAIMS<br>REMAINING<br>AFTER<br>AMENDMENT |       | HIGHEST<br>NUMBER<br>PREVIOUSLY<br>PAID FOR | PRESENT<br>NUMBER<br>EXTRA | RATE    | FEE  |
| TOTAL CLAIMS   | 43  |       | 43  | 0                          | x \$ 50 | \$ 0 |
| INDEPENDENT CLAIMS   | 5   | Minus | 5   | 0                          | x \$200 | \$ 0 |
| MULTIPLE DEPENDENT<br>CLAIM ADDED  |   |       |   |                            | \$360   | \$   |
|  |   |       |   |                            | TOTAL   | \$ 0 |
| If applicant has small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27, then divide total fee by 2, and enter amount here. |   |       | SMALL ENTITY TOTAL                          |                            | \$ 0    |      |

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August 9, 2007  
Date

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